



KNIGHTS' TEMPLAR AT WESTERLY

Big Demonstration Planned For Today—Johnson and Jackson, in Circus-Row, Sent to Jail—Mrs. Elizabeth Champlin 98 Years Old Friday—Mass Meeting For Irish Relief Fund Tomorrow Evening.

The Third district court, Judge Oliver H. Williams, was in regular session in Westery Friday, and there was hearing on the cases of Chief of Police Brown against George Jackson and Charles Johnson, charged committing violent assault upon Benjamin Waters and Joseph Welch in the Westery freight yard on the night of June 13. The man assaulted are connected with the Cook & Wilson circus. The case against Jackson was first called.

Benjamin Waters testified that his home is in Scranton, Pa., and he is a musician in the employ of the Cook & Wilson circus. He said he was stabbed by Jackson after the show was over and the stabbing occurred in the freight yard. Jackson and others were making a disturbance and in the party was also the other prisoner, Johnson. Witness with other circus men ordered them off and both Jackson and Johnson whipped out knives and witness received a cut two inches deep in the back. He took the knife away from Jackson, gave it to an officer. He identified the knife and said he had visited a doctor every day since.

Johnson had no lawyer and conducted his own case. He asked witness who threw him down and witness replied he did and took the knife from him. Jackson said he was knocked down with a club or some other weapon and asked witness if he did it. Witness said he did not.

Dr. Henry L. Johnson testified that he attended Waters for a stab wound in the back. The stab was caused by a knife and was nearly two inches deep and about quarter inch wide. He treated him in the freight yard and advised him to see a doctor the next day in the town where the circus was going. Jackson said the reason why he did not employ counsel was because he did not think he needed any.

Chief of Police Thomas E. Brown testified he saw George Jackson the morning following the fight and arrested him in the Bentley-Clark garage, where he was employed. He received the knife alleged to have been used by Jackson from Policeman Chase. Jackson said he was at the freight yard on the night of the fight and claimed ownership of the knife, which he said he had lost there, and also that he had lost his watch.

George Jackson, the accused, was notified by the court that he had the privilege of taking the witness stand in his own defense. He did not desire to be sworn and testify under oath, but he said he could not understand how he could be knocked down and cut and while in that condition take out a knife and stab a man.

The case against Johnson, charged with violent assault upon Joseph Welch, was then called. Joseph Welch, aged 19, of Perth Amboy, N. J., testified he was employed as porter in the Cook & Wilson circus. He was in the freight yard on the night of the circus and a gang was there singing and shouting and Jackson and Johnson were in the party. He received knife cuts across the left cheek and in the back, but he took no part in the fight. Witness met Johnson on the way to the scene of the fight and without the slightest warning slashed him across the face and in the back. Witness then returned to the car and was attended by Dr. Johnson. Witness was positive that Johnson cut him and he has been in hospital in New London ever since. He identified his cap and vest and coat where slashed with Johnson's knife.

Johnson had no counsel and asked the witness: "Are you sure I did it?" Welch replied that he was positive. Jack Lehman, advertising agent of the Cook & Wilson circus, testified that he was in the car and when he reached the car steps he saw some circus men going after a gang of men who had been creating a disturbance. He saw Johnson on the ground and when he got up told him to raise his

hands and took an open knife from his hip pocket and gave it to the head porter. Johnson then ran away. The next morning witness identified Johnson as the man he took the knife from and Johnson said the knife belonged to him.

Railroad Officer Barrett identified Johnson as one of the noisy crowd in the freight yard. The Welch boy was evidently cut before the witness was, as he was in the car when witness arrived there wounded. Johnson was adjudged guilty and sentenced to 11 months in the Providence county jail and to pay a fine of \$250.

Johnson was found guilty also and sentenced to nine months in the Providence county jail and to pay costs.

Miss Elizabeth Champlin reached her ninety-eighth birthday Friday. She held a reception at her home in Maple avenue and many friends, old and young called. "Aunt Betsey" says her vision is impaired and that she realizes that she cannot get around as handily as she used to some years ago, but otherwise she is in very good condition. "For all of which," she said, "I am thankful to the good Lord, and my many kind friends."

"Aunt Betsey" is a direct descendant of the Ninigret Indians, and was born not far from Westery, in the town of North Stonington. She was



MRS. ELIZABETH CHAMPLIN, 98 Years Old Friday

a daughter of Jesse and Hagar Champlin. Her father was a Ninigret Indian of the Charlestown reservation, and her father's grandmother was Dolly Ninigret. Her mother was Violet, an African slave, who was stolen when a young girl, brought to Rhode Island and sold to Benjamin Gardner. She ran away from her owner, and after "Aunt Betsey's" mother was born, Violet and the baby were purchased by Colonel Thomas Wheeler, of North Stonington, and freed.

"Aunt Betsey" has been in the service of the Williams and Dixon families, and others of prominence in Stonington. For generations she was famed as a maker and baker of wedding cakes for society weddings hereabouts.

Mrs. Catherine Baker, widow of Isaac R. Gavitt, died Friday morning at her home in Stanton street, aged 76 years. For many years she had been a consistent member of the First Baptist church in Westery. She

is survived by four sons and three daughters, William R. Gavitt, of Providence, Isaac P. Gavitt, of Stonington, John and Alexander Gavitt, of Westery, and Mrs. Julia Davis, Mrs. Ada Buglick and Mrs. Catherine Scott, of Westery, also by a brother and sister, Byron D. Greene, of Westery, and Mrs. Brown of Carolina. Mrs. Baker was born in Voluntown, the daughter of Henry and Julia A. Kanyon, Greene.

There will be a big demonstration of Knights Templar in Westery today in observance of St. John's day. The visiting commanders will arrive in time to have the parade start at 12 o'clock, and in the following order:

Chief Marshal
P. E. Sir Arthur N. Nash
Chief of Staff
Sir Robert G. Thackeray
Aides

Sir William C. McCormick, St. John's; Gilbert C. Eastman, Milford; to be appointed, Woonsocket; to be appointed from Bristol; and Herbert W. Rathbun, Palestine.

The following Knights from Narragansett commanders to report to other commanders: William H. Goodson,



MAJ. ARTHUR N. NASH

St. John's; Frederick N. Robinson, Milford; William Mitchell, Woonsocket; Andrew W. Fisher, Bristol; Louis H. Reuter, Palestine; Palestine Temple, A. O. N. M. S. Band, Providence

Sir George Bell, Leader, St. John's Commandery, No. 1, K. T., Providence

Eminent Commander, Sir James H. Thurston

Generalissimo, Sir Norris G. Abbot, Captain General, Sir Edgar C. Lakay, Milford Commandery, No. 11, K. T., Milford, Mass.

Eminent Commander, Sir George E. Thayer

Generalissimo, Sir Horace W. Hixie, Captain General, Sir Asa A. Westcott, Woonsocket Commandery, No. 24, K. T., Woonsocket, R. I.

Eminent Commander, Sir Frank J. Prue

Generalissimo, Sir George A. Reichert, Captain General, Sir Charles E. Foster

Westery Band, C. O. Gavitt, Leader, Narragansett Commandery, No. 27, K. T., Westery

Eminent Commander, Sir Lewis Stanton

Generalissimo, Sir Harry L. Bolles, Captain General, Sir William St. Onge, Tensuro's Band, Westery, A. Esau, Leader

Palestine Commandery, No. 6, K. T., New London

Eminent Commander, Sir C. Hadlai

Generalissimo, Sir Frederick A. Starr, Captain General, Sir Malcolm M. Scott

Bristol Commandery, No. 23, K. T., Attleboro, Mass.

Eminent Commander, Sir Enos D. Williams

Generalissimo, Sir Joseph H. Williams, Captain General, Sir Ralph M. Hibbs

The procession will form on High street, at the bridge, and proceed over High street to Dixon square, to Broad, to Elm, down Cross up Main, to West Broad, to Mechanic, counter-march to Broad street, to Grove avenue, to Dixon and West streets.

Narragansett and Palestine commanders will march to Masque hall and the commanders from the east to the special train in the freight yard. After exchange of uniforms for civilian dress, the Sir Knights will be served a light lunch in Masque hall. The Sir Knights will proceed to Watch Hill in special trolley cars and they will spend the balance of the day. Special dinner will be served at the Ocean and Watch Hill houses.

The mass meeting on Sunday evening next in aid of the Irish widows and orphans will be held in the Central theatre on West Broad street instead of the A. O. H. hall, as previously announced. Mrs. R. McKenna will preside at the meeting.

The following is the evening's programme:

Selection, orchestra; chorus, Come Back to Erin; address, Hon. Daniel Morrissey, of Warren, R. I.; solo, A Little Bit of Heaven, Keyron A. Doyle, selection, orchestra; solo, Erin, I Love Thee, Acushla Macneil, Miss Canavan; You, Acushla Macneil, Miss Canavan; address, Mrs. Ellen Ryan Jolly, of Pawtucket; chorus, Star Spangled Banner.

The marriage of Miss Carolyn Bradford, daughter of Emory S. Hodge and Edward A. Richardson, of North Adams, Mass., took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hodge on Mass street. Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart, a former pastor of the Congregational church, performed the ceremony, the single ring service being used. The bride was given away by her father.

Miss Sylvia Lanphear of Westery was bridesmaid and Harvey Gallup of North Adams, Mass., was the best man. The bride wore a white crepe meteor and carried a shower bouquet of roses and sweet peas. The bridesmaid wore a dress of gray tulle with rose trimmings. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson left for their honeymoon trip to be passed in Nova Scotia and New Foundland. Mr. Richardson is a retired produce merchant.

Local Laconas. There will be a union picnic of the pupils of the Westery and Stonington High Schools at Atlantic Beach today.

David Franklin Stillman, in the employ of the Westery branch of the Industrial Trust company, will be 81 today. He has been in the banking business for sixty-one years and is the oldest bank clerk in Rhode Island.

Chief Engineer Samuel G. Cottrell and a working crew responded to a call at midnight Thursday night, with a cyclone auto-pump wagon. The call was for a chimney fire in the Oscar Vose farmhouse. The damage was slight.

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F. S. Pendleton and a party of friends have gone on a fishing trip to Maine in the new machine boat Storm Petrel. They will make a long fishing trip before returning. Capt. Harriet of Maine is in charge.

Liberty Council, Daughters of the

FOLLOW THE CROWD

THE CRANSTON COMPANY SALE OF CORRESPONDENCE STATIONERY and Fountain Pens SATURDAY, JUNE 24th AT THE DAVIS STORE

On Saturday, at 9 o'clock, we shall open the greatest bargain sale of Correspondence Stationery ever conducted in Connecticut. This store has been noted for the quality of fine Correspondence Stationery and much of this has been sold by the quire as well as by the box. There are many odd and broken lots of strictly high-grade paper, some with envelopes to match others paper only but all of fine quality that sold as high as 30c a quire for paper and 20c a pack for envelopes. We have made selection from these odd lots that are strictly high-grade stock. HURD'S, CRANE'S, WHITING'S, etc., that will go on sale at

5c and 10c a Quire for Paper

5c and 10c a Pack for Envelopes

Other lots at prices much below former rates. BOXED PAPERS and ENVELOPES, a great variety to select from and a wide range of prices from 8c to \$2.40. We have combined the stocks of both stores and the person who does not get a bargain in Writing Paper certainly will have no complaint to make to us. This sale is especially opportune, owing to the scarcity of paper at this time, and is a real boon to everybody, as all use correspondence paper. The Davis store has specialized on the

SWAN FOUNTAIN PENS

AND THERE IS A LARGE STOCK ON HAND. THESE WILL GO IN THIS SALE AS FOLLOWS:

\$10 Pens for	- \$7.50	\$3.00 Pens for	- \$2.25
\$5.00 Pens for	- \$3.75	\$2.50 Pens for	- \$1.85
\$4.00 Pens for	- \$3.00	\$1.75 Pens for	- \$1.30
		\$1.50 Pens for	\$1.10

You take no risk, as every one is fully guaranteed by us. At the Main street store we will accept any old fountain pen as \$1.00 in cash in payment for a Crocker Ink-Tite. A limited quantity of Waterman Fountain Pen Ink, the 15c size for 12c a bottle, on sale at both stores. Can you afford to pass any of these real bargains? Take notice of the hours—sale opens at 9 o'clock, store closed from 12 to 2 and from 6 to 7.15. The sale of Gift Merchandise still continues with great interest and there are hundreds of splendid items waiting for you. Don't overlook the Surprise Packages which yield so much for so little.

BOOK SALE is scheduled for next Wednesday. HAMMOCK SALE for Saturday, July 1st. Nothing, however, is withheld. Everything is for sale at reduced prices.

The Cranston Company

STONINGTON

Wife-beater Sent to Jail—Nina Council, K. of C., to Confer Third Degree.

Frank Pollock of Pawtucket, arrested before Judge Hinckley in the Stonington town court, charged with assaulting his wife and with intoxication. On the first charge he was sentenced to the county jail in New London for 20 days and costs, and he was fined \$5 and costs for intoxication.

The game of baseball between the Wanderers and Old Mystic team, announced for this afternoon, has been called off.

The George C. Moore company baseball team is scheduled for a game with the Clark Thread Mill team this afternoon.

To Confer Degree. A class of candidates of Nine-Council, Knights of Columbus, will receive the third degree, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Bertha T. Wilcox, teacher at Stamford, arrived Friday afternoon at her home in the borough. She is entertaining Miss Doris Aldrich and Miss Sarah Morse of Providence.

Mrs. Fanny Drew Sheldon, wife of Charles R. Sheldon, died Thursday at her home in Providence. She was a daughter of Otis and Catherine Drew and formerly resided in Stonington.

A Diplomatic Denial. Ambassador Girard's denial of the interview concerning peace prospects which a Berlin newspaper attributed to him was expected, and must be accepted at once. Here, as abroad, it should be noted that it is not difficult to discern the probability of diplomatic success.

PLAINFIELD

Seniors' Reception—New Rural Delivery Route Possible—Talk of a People's Party.

The reception of the class of 1916 of Plainfield High school was held in Milner's hall Thursday evening. The grand march was led by Clark Howard Denison and Miss Gladys Codlin, president and vice president of the 1916 class respectively. Dancing lasted until 12 o'clock, music being furnished by the Colonial orchestra.

The ushers at the reception were Misses Pauline Mathewson, Rose Foster, Florence Opperdonk, Miss Nightingale, Henrietta Burby and Agnes Faldier, and Edmund Novak, Burgess.

The refreshment committee was made up of Richard Daggett, Christopher Dean, Herbert Colman, Dewey Seguin and Dona Courton.

New Rural Route Proposed. Another attempt is being made to establish a rural free delivery route in the Plainfield office to go south, taking part or all of Packerville north-west to Black Hill, thence to the outskirts of Central Village, returning east of the village and then to the office.

It is said that some who vigorously opposed the scheme before, both at Packerville and in the Central Village district, are in favor of the proposed route this time and there seems little doubt that sufficient names will be promptly secured.

People's Party. The first caucus for names to the Plainfield People's party has been finished and is said by those who should be well informed in the matter that 60 democrats and 12 republicans have

signed the pledge to support that ticket. In order to make sure that the ticket will be legal and get a place on the official ballot, all of the men mentioned will withdraw from the old parties at the first August meeting of the registrars.

News in General. Henry Murdock, formerly employed at the Lawton Mills, is now at Jericho, R. I. Sullivan, a graduate from Sheffield Scientific school, Yale, is at his home for a few days on furlough. Mr. Sullivan is a member of the field artillery and will have to report for duty Monday.

W. M. Baxter, designer at the Packerville mill, has been suffering with blood poisoning in his arm for several days.

The trisum or three days' devotion commenced at St. John's church last evening.

An automobile belonging to Everett Dawson of Central Village, crashed into a sign post in front of Milner's hall Thursday evening. The automobile was left standing in front of the hall while he attended the reception at Milner's hall and the brake must not have been put on and the car started down the hill and struck the post.

The Trials of Beautiful Bess, by C. B. Montgomery, appears in this month's short stories.

Your Bowels Should Move Once a Day. A free easy movement of the bowels every day is a sign of good health. Dr. King's New Life Pills will give you a gentle laxative effect without griping and free your system of blood poisons, purify your blood, overcome constipation and have an excellent tonic effect on the entire system. Make you feel like living. Only 10c at drug stores.

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Let's Refurnish The Dining Room

Let's put in one of these Jocaupau Mahogany or Quartered Oak Buffets. Let's put in a half dozen Chairs to match and a new Dining Table. The Serving Table we can put in now, or later.

You can pay the entire cost in a few weeks out of your allowance at a few dollars a week without missing the money.

Then you'll KNOW you've cleaned house. Your work won't be "all for nothing" and in the end this added cheer costs no more.

How about that new Refrigerator. Many so-called refrigerators are nothing but ice consumers. They are wrong in principle. Perfect insulation is the great factor sought in any refrigerator. That saves ice. We are sole agents for the best line in the county and our prices are right.

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